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Dear Ms. Coronel;

Greetings!

We regret to inform you that we cannot ascertain the source of the data/statistics posted on the annual report by the former CPNP DELA ROSA. Apparently, generating data/statistics thru our CIRAS is based on parameters which are likely to differ with other report/s as seen at the bottom part of the report provided to you recently.

Based in our CMC 2013-39-13, Crime Incident Reporting Analysis System (CIRAS) addressed as an e-Blotter System, is more common and comprehensive to the public who are transacting with the PNP as regards to their complaint and reporting of crime incidents for record purposes.

The report that we handed over to you were specifically generated thru CIRAS. Crime registrars from local police stations periodically update their records that cause changes in our database and so as the statistics. It is mandatory for the PNP to encode crime information directly to CIRAS as soon as the information comes in, otherwise, there will be misunderstanding as to the representation of statistics.

You had stated that you have accessed the QCPD e-blotter for July 2016 to June 2017, wherein 276 drug suspects were killed during police operation for that period. Can we ask for the copy of that report so we could determine the parameters set therein?

The numbers provided by MPD as posted on your letter clearly affirms that it was not generated from CIRAS. As we had mentioned, acquiring reports from other unit/s other than the generated report from CIRAS would create misunderstanding as to the representation of statistics. Further, any PNP personnel will be sanctioned for an administrative case for under-reporting or erroneous counting of crime data and will cause for the relief of the same.

This Police Office cannot deny the fact that the statistics specified on the reports you had gathered most likely differ with the report generated by CIRAS, however, as best practice, we often conduct validation and comparison amongst others to carry out comprehensive figure/s to correspond on your request.

Thank you for bringing us this matter to our attention and rest assured that Team NCRPO will continuously provide assistance and looking forward for the paramount outcome on the matters of public interests.

Respectfully yours,

Police Colonel